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Applicant : Kao, Kenneth et al.  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
U.S.A.

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT  
and AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Office Action dated December 28, 2006, Applicants provisionally elect Group 2 (claims 1-4, 6, 7, 9 and 10), drawn to methods of determining the presence or absence of a cancer in a patient comprising determining the level of Pygopus protein, with traverse.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are shown on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.